

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Previously Presented) A method for assisting object organization comprising:
in response to a first object being subjected to an action, the first object having a first controlling attribute and the first controlling attribute having an associated attribute-specific list, updating the first list associated with the first controlling attribute of the first object according to a sort criterion that is a function of the performed action, the first list is one of a plurality of controlling attribute-specific lists having a defined association with a controlling attribute and having a plurality of entries ordered according to the sort criterion, the entries provide alternatives as to how the action can be performed upon objects having the first controlling attribute; and,
in response to the plurality of controlling-attribute specific lists being invoked via a second object, the second object having a second controlling attribute, displaying a second list of the plurality of controlling attribute-specific lists associated with the second controlling attribute of the second object to provide alternatives as to how the action can be performed upon the second object.
2. (Original) The method of claim 1, further initially comprising initializing the plurality of controlling attribute-specific lists.
3. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein each of the first object and the second object corresponds to an email.
4. (Original) The method of claim 3, wherein the controlling attribute of each of the first object and the second object corresponds to a sender of the email.

5. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein each of the first object and the second object corresponds to a file.
6. (Original) The method of claim 4, wherein the controlling attribute of each of the first object and the second object corresponds to a creator of the file.
7. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the action is movement to a folder.
8. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the action is setting an object property.
9. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, wherein the sort criterion is how recently the listed alternatives have been performed.
10. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, wherein the sort criterion is how frequently the listed alternatives have been performed.
11. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the method is performed by execution of a computer program by a processor from a computer-readable medium.
12. (Previously Presented) A method for dynamically maintaining and displaying attribute-specific lists comprising:
 - initializing at least one attribute-specific list having a defined association with an object attribute;
 - updating the at least one attribute-specific list based on an action performed on at least one object containing the attribute; and
 - displaying the updated attribute-specific list upon an action performed on a disparate object containing the same attribute.
13. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 12, the at least one attribute-specific list comprising folders.

14. (Original) The method of claim 12, the at least one attribute-specific list initialized to be empty.
15. (Original) The method of claim 12, the at least one attribute-specific object comprising types of computer files.
16. (Original) The method of claim 12, the at least one attribute-specific list initialized based on a controlling attribute.
17. (Original) The method of claim 16, wherein the controlling attribute is based on at least the creator of the attribute-specific object.
18. (Original) The method of claim 16, wherein the controlling attribute is based on at least the recipient of the attribute-specific object.
19. (Original) The method of claim 12, further comprising sorting the attribute-specific list based on at least one sort criterion.
20. (Original) The method of claim 19, the sort criterion corresponds to a level of priority.
21. (Original) The method of claim 19, the sort criterion corresponds to a time at which the attribute-specific object was subject to the action.
22. (Original) The method of claim 19, the sort criterion corresponds to a frequency to which the attribute-specific object is subject to the action.
23. (Original) The method of claim 12, further comprising appending additional attribute-specific objects to an existing attribute-specific list.
24. (Original) The method of claim 12, the action corresponds to movement of at least one attribute-specific object between attribute-specific lists.

25. (Original) The method of claim 12, the at least one attribute-specific object corresponds to email.
26. (Original) The method of claim 12, wherein the action corresponds to setting a property on at least one attribute-specific object.
27. (Currently Amended) A system comprising computer-executable instructions embodied on a computer-readable storage medium that when executed on one or more processors to facilitates dynamic object organization, comprising:
- an initializing component to initialize a plurality of objects having a defined association with one or more controlling attributes;
 - an updating component to update the plurality of objects based on a function performed on an object subject to the one or more controlling attributes; and
 - a display component to display at least one of the plurality of objects upon an action on a second object containing the same one or more controlling attributes.
28. (Original) The system claim of 27, the plurality of objects comprises folders.
29. (Original) The system claim of 27, the plurality of objects initialized to be empty.
30. (Original) The system claim of 27, the object comprising types of computer files.
31. (Original) The system claim of 27, the object comprising email.
32. (Previously Presented) The system claim of 27, the one or more controlling attributes based on at least the creator of the object.
33. (Previously Presented) The system claim of 27, the one or more controlling attributes based on at least the recipient of the object.
34. (Original) The system claim of 27, further comprising a sorting component.

35. (Original) The system claim of 34, the sorting component utilizing one or more sort criteria.
36. (Original) The system claim of 35, the one or more sort criteria based at least on a level of priority.
37. (Original) The system claim of 35, the one or more sort criteria based at least on the time at which the object was subject to the function.
38. (Original) The system claim of 35, the one or more sort criteria based at least on the frequency to which the object was subject to the function.
39. (Original) The system claim of 27, further comprising an appending component to append one or more additional objects to the plurality of objects.
40. (Previously Presented) The system claim of 39, the appending component utilizing the one or more controlling attributes to append the one or more additional objects to the plurality of objects.
41. (Original) The system claim of 27, the function being movement of at least one object between the plurality of objects.
42. (Original) The system claim of 27, the function being setting at least one property on the object.

43. (Currently Amended) A system comprising computer-executable instructions embodied on a computer-readable storage medium that when executed on one or more processors ~~to~~ aids dynamic object organization, comprising:

means for initializing one or more object-specific lists based on at least one controlling attribute, the one or more object-specific lists orderable based on one or more ordering criteria;

means for updating the one or more object-specific lists based on an action performed on one or more objects subject to the at least one controlling attribute;

means for ordering the one or more object-specific lists based on the one or more ordering criteria, the ordering criteria is a function of the performed action;

means for appending one or more objects utilizing the at least one controlling attribute;
and

means for displaying the one or more object-specific lists.